

**U.S. District Court**  
**Southern District of New York (Foley Square)**  
**CIVIL DOCKET FOR CASE #: 1:19-cv-01219-JSR**

Buzzfeed, Inc. v. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services  
Assigned to: Judge Jed S. Rakoff  
Cause: 05:552 Freedom of Information Act

Date Filed: 02/08/2019  
Jury Demand: None  
Nature of Suit: 895 Freedom of Information Act  
Jurisdiction: U.S. Government Defendant

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Date Filed	#	Docket Text
02/08/2019	<u>1</u>	COMPLAINT against U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. (Filing Fee \$ 400.00, Receipt Number ANYSDC-16315479) Document filed by Buzzfeed, Inc.. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit A – Request, # <u>2</u> Exhibit B – Acknowledgment, # <u>3</u> Exhibit C – Expedited Processing)(Syed, Nabiha) (Entered: 02/08/2019)
02/08/2019	<u>2</u>	CIVIL COVER SHEET filed. (Syed, Nabiha) (Entered: 02/08/2019)
02/08/2019	<u>3</u>	REQUEST FOR ISSUANCE OF SUMMONS as to U.S. CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES, re: <u>1</u> Complaint,. Document filed by Buzzfeed, Inc.. (Syed, Nabiha) (Entered: 02/08/2019)

02/08/2019	<u>4</u>	RULE 7.1 CORPORATE DISCLOSURE STATEMENT. Identifying Other Affiliate Comcast Corporation, Other Affiliate NBCUniversal Media LLC for Buzzfeed, Inc.. Document filed by Buzzfeed, Inc..(Syed, Nabiha) (Entered: 02/08/2019)
02/08/2019	<u>5</u>	NOTICE OF APPEARANCE by Matthew Lynn Schafer on behalf of Buzzfeed, Inc.. (Schafer, Matthew) (Entered: 02/08/2019)
02/11/2019		CASE OPENING INITIAL ASSIGNMENT NOTICE: The above-entitled action is assigned to Judge Jed S. Rakoff. Please download and review the Individual Practices of the assigned District Judge, located at <a href="http://nysd.uscourts.gov/judges/District">http://nysd.uscourts.gov/judges/District</a> . Attorneys are responsible for providing courtesy copies to judges where their Individual Practices require such. Please download and review the ECF Rules and Instructions, located at <a href="http://nysd.uscourts.gov/ecf_filing.php">http://nysd.uscourts.gov/ecf_filing.php</a> . (jgo) (Entered: 02/11/2019)
02/11/2019		Magistrate Judge Sarah Netburn is so designated. Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 636(c) and Fed. R. Civ. P. 73(b)(1) parties are notified that they may consent to proceed before a United States Magistrate Judge. Parties who wish to consent may access the necessary form at the following link: <a href="http://nysd.uscourts.gov/forms.php">http://nysd.uscourts.gov/forms.php</a> . (jgo) (Entered: 02/11/2019)
02/11/2019		Case Designated ECF. (jgo) (Entered: 02/11/2019)
02/11/2019	<u>6</u>	ELECTRONIC SUMMONS ISSUED as to U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. (jgo) (Entered: 02/11/2019)
02/11/2019	<u>7</u>	NOTICE OF COURT CONFERENCE: Initial Conference set for 3/5/2019 at 11:00 AM in Courtroom 14B, 500 Pearl Street, New York, NY 10007 before Judge Jed S. Rakoff, as further set forth in this order. (Signed by Judge Jed S. Rakoff on 2/11/2019) (jwh) (Entered: 02/11/2019)
02/20/2019	<u>8</u>	CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE (FOIA CASE) of Summons and Complaint, served. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services served on 2/19/2019, answer due 3/21/2019. Service was made by Mail. Document filed by Buzzfeed, Inc.. (Attachments: # <u>1</u> Exhibit Service on U.S. Attorney – SDNY, # <u>2</u> Exhibit Service on U.S. Attorney General, # <u>3</u> Exhibit Service on U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services)(Schafer, Matthew) (Entered: 02/20/2019)
02/25/2019	<u>9</u>	NOTICE OF APPEARANCE by Jeremy Adam Chase on behalf of Buzzfeed, Inc.. (Chase, Jeremy) (Entered: 02/25/2019)
02/25/2019		Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Jed S. Rakoff: Telephone Conference held on 2/25/2019. (Kotowski, Linda) (Entered: 02/26/2019)
02/26/2019	<u>10</u>	NOTICE OF APPEARANCE by Emily Elizabeth Bretz on behalf of U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. (Bretz, Emily) (Entered: 02/26/2019)
03/01/2019		Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Jed S. Rakoff: Telephone Conference held on 3/1/2019. (Kotowski, Linda) (Entered: 03/01/2019)
03/04/2019	<u>11</u>	ORDER: Upon consideration of the CONSENT MOTION FOR MATTHEW L. SCHAFFER TO WITHDRAW AS CO-COUNSEL FOR BUZZFEED, INC., it is this 3rd day of March 2019, hereby ORDERED that the Motion is GRANTED. (Attorney Matthew Lynn Schafer terminated.) (Signed by Judge Jed S. Rakoff on 3/3/2019) (jwh) (Entered: 03/04/2019)
03/05/2019		Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Jed S. Rakoff: Initial Pretrial Conference held on 3/5/2019. (Kotowski, Linda) (Entered: 03/05/2019)
03/08/2019		Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Jed S. Rakoff: Telephone Conference held on 3/8/2019. Argument is set for July 2, 2019 at 4:00pm. (Kotowski, Linda) (Entered: 03/08/2019)
03/18/2019	<u>12</u>	ANSWER to <u>1</u> Complaint,. Document filed by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.(Bretz, Emily) (Entered: 03/18/2019)
03/18/2019	<u>13</u>	ORDER: Upon consideration of the MOTION FOR NABIHA SYED TO WITHDRAW AS CO-COUNSEL FOR BUZZFEED, INC., it is this 18th day of March 2019, hereby ORDERED that the Motion is GRANTED. Attorney Nabiha Syed

	terminated. (Signed by Judge Jed S. Rakoff on 3/18/2019) (mro) (Entered: 03/19/2019)
05/08/2019	Minute Entry for proceedings held before Judge Jed S. Rakoff: Telephone Conference held on 5/8/2019. (Kotowski, Linda) (Entered: 05/09/2019)